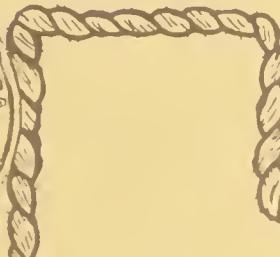
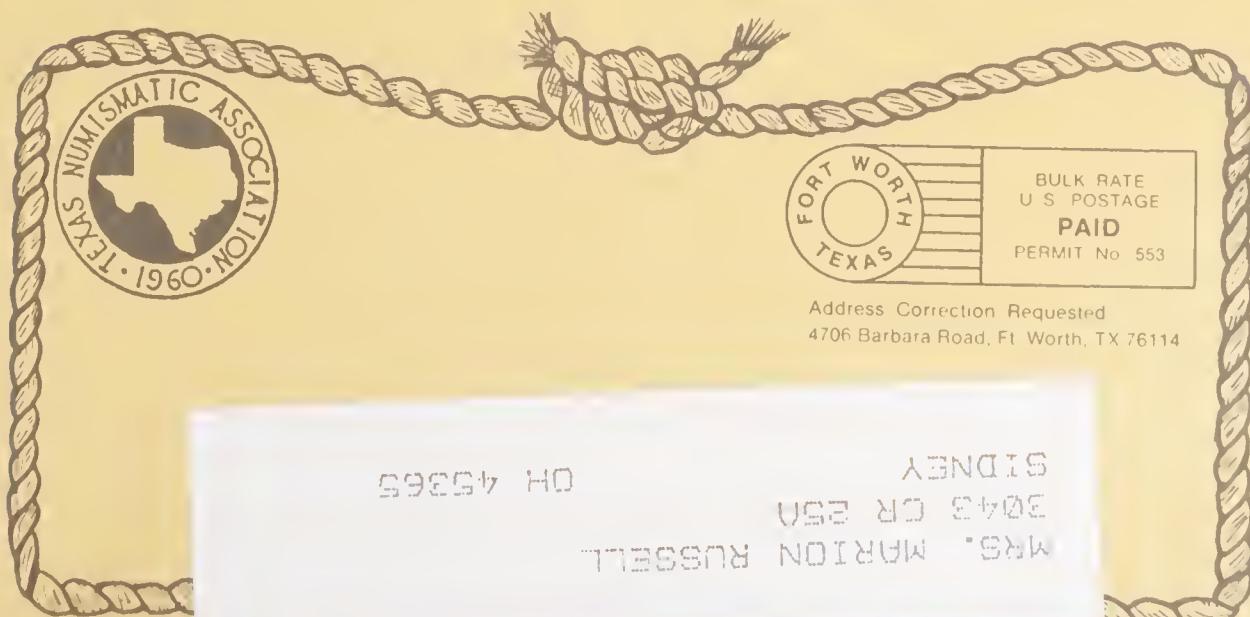


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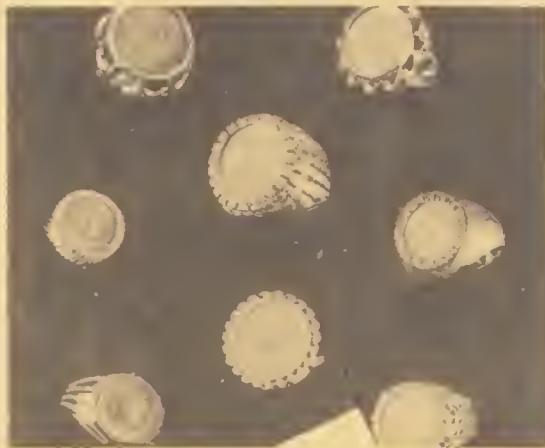
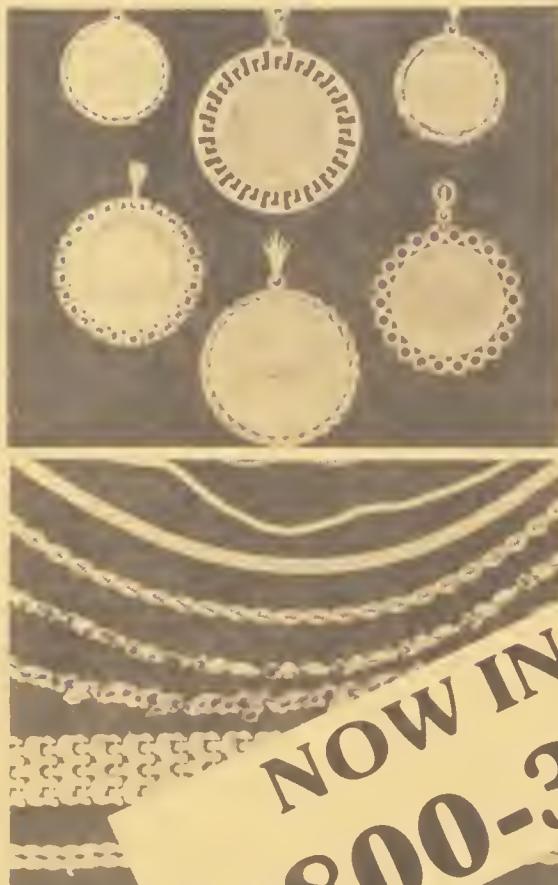
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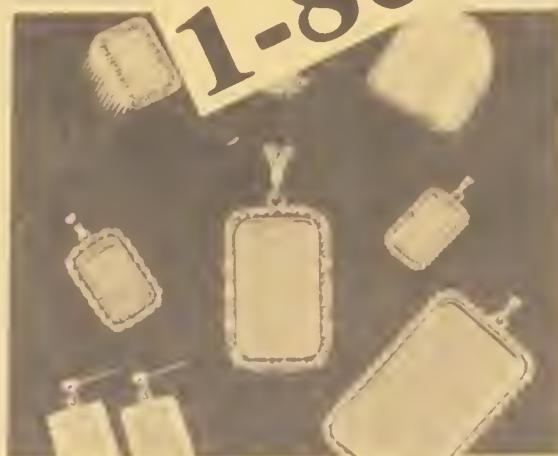
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The TNA Governing Board will be meeting in Austin, Quality Inn South, on September 18 during Austin Coin Club's annual show. Notify your District Governor or any officer of any important item which should be called to the attention of the Board.

1st of September is the deadline for the October issue.

THE STORY BEHIND THE COIN

Lee Grossman,
San Antonio, Tx.

ISABELLA II — THE SALIC LAW WAS SET ASIDE SO SHE COULD RULE SPAIN

Maria Isabella Louisa was born in Madrid, Spain, on October 10, 1830, the daughter of King Ferdinand VII, and fourth wife, Maria Christina. Because there was no male offspring to inherit the throne, the queen induced Ferdinand to establish female succession by a decree, which set aside the Salic Law.

If you have never heard of this law, I will try to explain it as briefly as possible.

It is a code of laws, written in Latin, and first compiled early in the 6th century by the Salians, a Frankish race that conquered Gaul. The law comprises principally the fines to be paid for various injuries and crimes. Among its Civil statutes, however, was one prohibiting women from inheriting private property. It is this aspect of the law to which the term "Salic Law" is most often applied, primarily because it mistakenly came to be used in an argument against the succession of women, or of the descendants of kings' daughters, to European thrones. This Frankish land law was extended to the throne to prevent the crown from passing out of the country through the marriage of a woman to a foreigner. The Salic Law, in this respect, was important in French history. It first was used

in France early in the 14th century by Philip V, King of France. The law later formed the legal basis for the denial of the French crown to Edward III, King of England, whose mother was a daughter of the French King, Philip IV. This dispute was the basis of the Hundred Years' War, which began on May 24, 1337, and ended in 1453. This is an accumulative number of years - 100 - as the treaties interrupted the continuity of the battles. The Salic Law, as it evolved in regard to succession, was the basis of claims to thrones in Spain, England, Italy and Germany.

When Ferdinand VII died on September 29, 1833, the not-quite three-year old child became Queen of Spain, under the regency of her mother.

Her uncle, Don Carlos, claimed the throne, and a civil war resulted. This insurrection raged with great violence until the Carlists were defeated in 1839. Don Carlos (Charles V) was exiled along with his principal supporters and the claim of Isabella was recognized. In Portugal, Don Carlos set up what he called the "true monarchy" of Spain. The pretender to the throne issued copper 8 maravedis in 1837 and six quartos in 1840; and silver 2 reales in 1837 and 1838. All of his coinage is scarce, and some are worth as much as \$300.

Isabella II became Queen-in-fact on October 15, 1843, and three years later, married her cousin, Don Francisco d'Assisi. Her reign was troubled by intrigues, rumors of scandal, civil strife, and great political instability. She had political differences with Chile and Peru; annexed Haiti and San Domingo to Spain, and was in a war against Morocco.

A revolution broke out against her government in September 1868, which was followed by the formation of a Republican provisional government. Isabella fled to France.

On June 25, 1870, she renounced her claim to the throne in favor of her son, Alfonso, who became king as Alfonso XII in 1874. Isabella's mother died in 1878.

In 1882, Isabella returned to Spain. After the death of her husband, Don Francisco, 1902, she returned to Paris, France, where she died on April 9, 1904.

Copper, silver and gold coins were issued by Isabella.

COPPER

2-4-8 maravedis; 1835 to 1858; prices are moderate in the higher grades, altho a few are in the \$1,000 range.

5-10-25 centimos and 1/20-1/10-1/5 & 1/2 reales; 1854 to 1864; Expensive.

1/2-1-2 1/2 & 5 centimos; 1865 to 1868; Expensive.

SILVER

1-2-4-10 & 20 reales; 1834 to 1862; .903 Fine; Expensive, with some over the \$3,000 price in XF condition.

2-4-10 & 20 reales; 1850 to 1865; .900 Fine; reasonably priced.

10-20-40 centimos; 1864 to 1868; .810 Fine.

1 & 2 escudos; 1864 to 1868; .900 Fine.

Lower grade silver coins are available at prices for the average pocketbook. Coins grading Fine will cost about \$5 to \$20.

GOLD

80 reales; 1834 to 1850; .875 Fine; Very expensive.

40 & 100 reales; 1850 to 1864; .900 Fine; Costly.

2-4 & 10 escudos; 1865 to 1868; .900 Fine; Prices - \$50 to \$2,000 in Uncirculated condition.

A few Spanish colonies, provinces and cities issued coinage in Isabella's reign. Catalonia struck copper 3 and 6 quartos from 1836 to 1846, which are hard to find; Pampeluna (Navarro) issued an 8 maravedis in copper in 1837, which was cast in bell metal, and is very rare; and the Philippine Islands minted copper 2 and 4 quartos in 1835, both of which are very rare; 10-20-50 centimos in .900 fine silver from 1864 to 1868, and 1-2 and 4 pesos in .875 fine from 1861 to 1868. The silver coins range from \$15 to \$500, and the gold from \$150 to \$750.

I have two silver coins of Isabella. The Spanish coin is a 20 centimos dated 1868 in fine plus condition. It was struck at the Madrid mint in .810 fine. The obverse side reads: ISABEL 2A. POR LA G. DE DIOS Y LA CONST. (Isabel II, By the Grace of God and the Constitution), and the reverse: REINA DE LAS ESPAÑAS, with 20 CENTS. DE ESGO (Queen of Spaniards - 20 Centimos de Escudo). The six-pointed star before and after the "20 Centimos de Escudo" indicates the Madrid Mint. The crowned quartered field shield

of arms has a three-towered castle on the upper left and lower right corners (Arms of Castile) and a crowned lion rampant on the upper right and lower left corners (arms of Leon).

The Philippine Islands 1868 20 Centimos (Craig 4) is in fine plus condition and in .900 fine silver. The lettering on the obverse and reverse the same as on the Spanish coin. The crowned coat of arms is the same, except that to the left of the shield is "20" with "DE" below it. The right side has "Cs" with "Po" below it. This means "20 Centimos de Peso."

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Every man, woman and child in the world would have \$560 if each was allotted an equal share of the world's money supply, according to the Bank of America.

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When the visitor center opened in 1980, the bureau installed machines that dispense 75-cent packets of shredded currency. But you do not need to go to Washington to cash in on the deal. Each of the 12 Federal Reserve district banks is authorized to dispose of old, worn or soiled currency as it sees fit, and many sell it at bargain rates. For \$83, the Los Angeles branch will deliver an entire day's output - 4000 pounds - to your door packed in a crate. Some of it turns up in novelty stores as souvenir items.

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Since I wrote some columns about the four Napoleon Bonapartes, and especially about the No. 1 famous Napoleon, I thought it would be appropriate to follow up with a column about St. Helena. St. Helena is an island located about 1,150 miles from the west coast of Africa. It has an area of 47 square miles, 5,365 occupants and consists of rough, volcanic wasteland. Barren cliffs rise 1000 feet above sea level at some points. Less than a third can be used for raising crops.

Discovered in 1502 by a Portuguese navigator, occupied by the Dutch during 1645-51. It was taken over by the British, recaptured by the Dutch, then a British force retook the island and it has been British since 1673. The capital is Jamestown, the only town.

St. Helena is famous because it was the island where Napoleon I retired into exile in 1815. He died May 5, 1821 from small doses of arsenic in his wine (according to a recent book review in Reader's Digest).

Through 1981, only 13 coins are required for a complete collection from this colony. A halfpenny made in 1821 was made in copper, bronze and gilt bronze. The four coins listed in Krause total \$450 in uncirculated and proof and will probably be hard to locate. No more coins bearing "St. Helena" were made until the 1973 25 Pence St. Helena Tercentenary (100,000 Unc. \$1.75, 10,000 silver proofs \$27.50).

A 1977 25 Pence commemorates the Queen's silver jubilee, the 25th anniversary of her coronation (50,000 Unc. \$2.00, 25,000 silver proofs \$30.00). A 1978 crown also commemorated her 25th anniversary (Unc. \$2.00 silver, Unc. \$20, proof \$30.00).

A 1980 25 Pence commemorated the Queen Mother's 80th birthday (Unc. \$2.00 silver, 25,000 silver proofs \$35). A 25 Pence coin is silver dollar size, although made of nickel they only have a face value of about 45 cents, and are definitely a nice addition to any collection. Maybe somebody can tell me the face value of a "crown." From the value quoted, I would guess that it is also 25 Pence.

The last coin issued was the 1981 25 Pence commemorating Prince Charles and Lady Diana's wedding. It has Charles and Diana looking at each other on one side, the queen on the other side. Unc. is \$3.00, silver proof (30,000) is \$40. All prices quoted are catalog values from *Krause's World Coins*.

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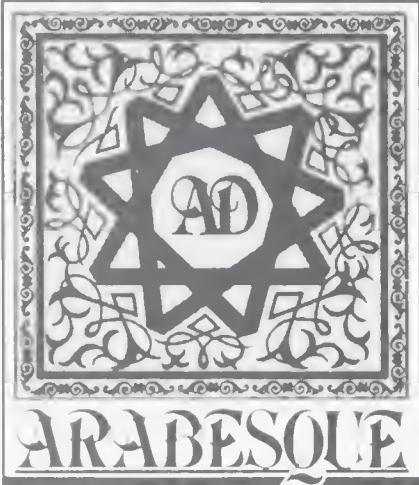
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Let's Get Acquainted

As we've heard many times, if anything needs to be done (and in a hurry) give it to a busy guy and it'll get done. Lee Grossman is one of those guys and we want our readers to get acquainted with him.

Completing a busy 40-year career with the Veteran's Administration in 1982, Lee now devotes his daily schedule to his numismatic hobby.

Lee is currently serving as vice president and program chairman for Alamo Coin Club in San Antonio. He is a past president of the Alamo club; and a past vice president of Gateway Coin Club, also in San Antonio. Also keeping Lee busy is writing numismatic articles for **TNA NEWS** and Numismatics International of Dallas, and is hard at work on a second book on numismatics. He has already had one published. Lee received TNA K.K. Tidwell Literary Honorable Mentions for 1981 and 1982. When Lee isn't at the typewriter, he conducts numismatic courses at Fort Sam Houston and the Jewish Community Center, and does public relations work for the Chandler Center in San Antonio on a volunteer basis. Lee also prepares and presents programs at coin club meetings, not only in San Antonio, but has traveled to Corpus



Christi and Kingsville. Added to that, Lee keeps busy with numismatic projects for TNA, NI, and Alamo and Gateway clubs and the Biblical Numismatic Society.

Lee is a native New Yorker but moved to San Antonio where he attended Trinity University majoring in journalism and speech. He became interested in collecting coins while he served overseas during World War II.

While in the military, Lee was awarded the Bronze Star. He is a past Commander and Life Member of Alamo Post #2, American Legion, and has held numerous offices on the Legion's national, state, division, district and post levels. He was elected the first president of the 20th District's 25-Member Club, and conceived and edited "The Legion Leader" newspaper for over 12 years.

WHEW!! That's what we call being busy - but not too busy to keep him from spending time with his wife, Dorothy, and family, who's been so gracious in putting up with that "round-the-clock" schedule.

Lee is a highly respected numismatic scholar and a friend to other collectors in the area. He loves his coins and can't stay still until he has completely researched each one of those precious gems and which he shares with everyone.

If you need something done (and in a hurry), call on Lee. He always answers the call and we're proud of him!

ANA News Roundup

American Numismatic Assn. Representative

Karla Galindo

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August is an important month for the American Numismatic Association. As you read this, the annual ANA convention will be in session in San Diego, Calif.

Many activities are planned for those in attendance. More than 30 speakers will give 30-minute presentations, many accompanied by visual aids. These will be held each afternoon. One evening educational forum will also be held. Sonnie Fro- wein, daughter and longtime business partner of the late Abe Kosoff, will moderate the evening session.

Many activities are planned for the "young" numismatists - the YN educational forum, YN auction, special YN tours, and much more. YN Chairwoman Florence Schook always plans a number of surprises for all ANA young numismatists.

Another convention feature to attract visitors will be the British Royal Mint's display of proof and piedfort versions of Britian's new One Pound coin which entered the circulating currency in April, together with examples of other current issues including the 1983 gold set, comprising the two pounds piece, sovereign and half sovereign.

An outstanding collection of books about Chinese history and coinage was recently acquired by the ANA Library. Assembled by the late Rev.

Arthur Braddon Coole, the collection is perhaps the largest in existence. Complimenting the collection is an almost one-thousand-volume set of encyclopedias of the Chinese dynasties, reportedly one of six known sets and one of two in the United States. The "Arthur Brad- don Coole Oriental Library" was dedicated at the ANA headquarters last month.

ANA's membership drive continues in progress through September. Remember that each ANA member who proposes three new members will also receive a copy of the "Red Book." Additional information about the membership promotion can be obtained by writing to ANA Membership Drive, Box 2366, Colorado Springs, Colo. 80901.

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TNA NEWS

junior readin' roundup

Texas Numismatic Association

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In April, the Texas Numismatic Association had its annual coin convention in Corpus Christi. There were many excellent exhibits, but no junior exhibits.

More juniors should exhibit because exhibiting is a good way to learn about numismatics.

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Interest Earned on Checking Account	<u>2'.03</u>
	6,692.72
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TNA NEWS Editor - June travel allowance & and May petty cash	250.23
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	2,902.11
	8,203.70
Balance on hand as of June 30, 1983	8,203.70
* Operating Funds	8,091.81 *
* Encumbered Funds	111.89 *

NOTE: The following funds cannot be used for anything except the purposes for which they are encumbered. The balance above includes these funds except as noted below.

TNA Memorial Library Fund as of June 30, 1983 111.89
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from the secretary

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WELCOME to new members 4383-J-4389. If approved the following will become members September 1983.

4390 (D-6) James M. Frazier, 8222 Fondren, Houston, TX. 77074. USA coins. Gerald Kendall.

4391 (D-15) Dale A. Richey, Box 8755, Lumberton, TX. 77711. U.S. coins. Jerry Williams.

4392 (D-12) Andy Jones, Box 187, Bogata, TX. 75417. U.S. Jerry Williams.

4393 Robert N. Eddy Jr., 6813 Oahu Court, Bay St. Louis, MS. 39520. U.S. & foreign coins. Jerry Williams.

4394 (D-12) David M. Hillin, Box K-86, Buna, TX. 77612. All U.S. coins. Jerry Williams.

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The bill before Congress to require the same treatment of the individual who would sell a few silver dimes as is expected of hardened criminals is still in the pot stewing. A call to Washington by TNA Governor Al Loja, District VI, has revealed that the bill will not come out of the committee until after reconvening from the Fourth of July recess. All of you have received the letter from Mr. J. Cline, along with a note from me, urging you as a collector and as a TNA officer to contact your senator and representative and voice your opposition to this bill. At present it is only directed toward "bullion" deal-

ers but the next obvious step will be to include all collectibles. I personally do not wish to be fingerprinted just to sell a dime or two to a dealer.

We still have time to make our voices heard and to defeat this dangerous piece of proposed legislation **BUT** we cannot hope to do so if we do not take any action to exercise our rights as voting citizens. Remember the piece of proposed legislation of 1914 which came in as a "War Tax" of temporary measure? This tax was foisted onto the public at 10 percent. Some 70 years later it is still with us and the rate has increased over 100 percent.



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In Texas, Coca-Cola has found the two-troy ounce pure silver "Texas Nickel" to be the perfect incentive award for its Texan distributors. And many savings and loan institutions use sterling silver bracelets, chains, necklaces, charms, and ingot jewelry to those persons who open new savings accounts.

TEST YOUR METAL

Columnist James Dent writes in the Charleston, W. Va., **Gazette**: "A fellow tells me he has made a small pile of change from friends - or, most probably, former friends - by betting them they can't get this right: (1) A dime is what color? (gray, silver, bronze) (2) A penny is what color? (gray, silver, bronze) (3) A nickle is what color? (gray, silver, green). What destroys almost everybody is (3). A nickle is green. Note the spelling le, not el. A nickle is a green woodpecker.

TRUCK FLIPS COINS

More than \$1 million in bills and coins was strewn across U.S. Highway 69 northeast of Dallas when an armored truck swerved into a ditch and flipped several times. The truck came to rest inside a wheat field, spilling the sacks of coins and currency.

The currency sacks each contained between \$100,000 and \$200,000 and were not broken during the crash. Coin sacks, however burst and nickels, dimes and quarters were scattered all over the ground.

UNWANTED COINS

The vaults of the Bank of England are filled with gold-colored coins that nobody wants.

Since its introduction in spring, the new one-pound coin has been boycotted by a majority of Britons. Of the 250 million coins stamped by the Royal Mint, fewer than one third are in circulation.

"Most people prefer to hang on to the pound notes the new coin is intended to replace," says one bank teller.

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6. Do not handle the note. Carefully place it in a protective covering, such as an envelope.
7. Surrender the note only to a properly identified police officer or Secret Service agent.

WOMEN ON MONEY

Only once has an American woman ever been pictured on the front of a United States paper note - and that was almost 100 years ago.

A portrait of Martha Washington appeared on the reverse of the 1896 silver certificate, and the Indian heroine Pocahontas was pictured on the back of the 1875 \$20 bill. No other women - except for female representations of such abstract concepts as "Liberty" and "Justice" have ever graced U.S. currency.

It wasn't until 1979, when the Susan B. Anthony dollar was minted, honoring the founder of the women's suffrage movement in the U.S., that an American woman graced a U.S. coin.

WANNA' BE A JUDGE?

Numismatic exhibits are a very important part of our TNA conventions and along with exhibits, the judging for awards.

TNA will form a panel of qualified judges to be available at the conventions. Judges are needed in every numismatic field - U.S. and foreign coins, currency, tokens and medals.

A 2-hour session on qualifying judges will be held on Saturday afternoon, September 17, at the Austin Club Money Mart. Another session is planned during the Greater Houston Coin Club Money Show in January.

If interested in joining the Judges Panel, please contact Gerald Kendall, Box 55545, Houston 77055.

TREASURER'S REPORT —

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Certificate of Deposit as of May 31, 1983	1,889.96
Interest earned	75.03
Certificate of Deposit as of June 30, 1983	1,964.99
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Life Membership Savings Account as June 30, 1983	5,687.26

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OCTOBER 2

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OCTOBER 8-9

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OCTOBER 8-9

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District Meetings

DISTRICT I -

The 22nd annual Fort Worth Coin Club show is planned for October 1-2 at Green Oaks Motor Inn, 6901 W. Freeway. Leading dealers in the U.S. will be on hand to buy, sell and appraise coins. Bourse co-chairmen are Ken Jones, 838-3604, and Bob Skeen, 283-6857.

At the June regular meeting, a summer party was planned on the picnic grounds at Texas Electric Service Co. on July 7. Fifty auction lots were offered for sale and a contest of numismatic knowledge was highlight of the evening. Eva Riley exhibited Presidential medals, coins and campaign buttons dating back to 1886. - **Bob Skeen, Pres.**

Jimmy Webb was elected president of Stephenville Coin Club at the June 10 meeting held at Red Bandana Steak House. Also elected were Charles Collier, vice president; Lorene Randals, secretary; and Jo Stem, treasurer. Twenty were in attendance.

At the June 27 meeting, with 23 present, Evan Gale displayed 1926



Morris Johnson
Governor

coin books issued by B. Max Mehl. The group enjoyed comparing coin prices then and now. - **Lorene Randals, Sec.**

DISTRICT III -

Plans for a coin show were initiated at the June meeting by members of Key City Coin Club in Abilene. The show will be held October 8-9 at Kiva Inn.

The meeting was held at United Savings Bldg. with 26 members and four guests. Ken Saunders won the door prize.

At a previous meeting, Richard Cook gave a program on Civil War tokens. - **Frances Thornton, Sec.**

DISTRICT IV -

Thirteen members and visitors attended the June meeting of Waco Coin Club and viewed TNA slide set #25 on "Types of Regular Issue U.S. Gold Coins."



Dr. Robert Greenwood
Governor

At the May meeting members gathered for a "Swap Night" and five set up bourse tables. - **J.P. Jones, Publicity.**

DISTRICT V -

Featured articles included in the June issue of the **Numismatics International** Bulletin (Dallas) were "Polish Thalers" by Russell S. Clunan II. He traces the development of the coins from the 16th to the 19th centuries. Jeff Schwartz looks at the "Silver Content of the Dutch 1 Stiver Piece: A Case of Stability." In his article, Schwartz shows that over a 270-year period, the stiver was only debased by 38 percent.

Walter Bergman writes on "Two Troublesome Years in the History of Imperial Rome." He notes that after Nero died in 68 A.D., there were five different emperors over the next two years. - **Stuart T. Eisen, Publicity.**

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Dallas Coin Club members put final touches on plans for their July 22-24 coin show at North Park Inn and asked for volunteers to assist.

C.C. Andrews showed a slide program on "Coin Authentication" which showed genuine characteristics of many coins that are often counterfeited.

Ernie Hackney conducted the auction and Jane Boone won the door prize. - **Frank Clark, Sec.**

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Barney Welch entertained members of **Garland Coin Club** with a program on "Numismatic Issues of the Franklin Mint, Circa 1968" at the June meeting. Welch discussed some of the issues devoted to the great women of history, including Betsy Ross, Florence Nightin-

gale, Clara Barton and Susan B. Anthony.

New members include Cathy Borland, Walter C. Stine and Gary W. Smith. Gertrud Welch won the door prize and C. C. Andrews conducted the auction. Randy Borland received an ANA educational award for a recent program. - **Lucretia Johnson, Sec.**

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Attendance jumped to 26 at the recent meeting of **Texomaland Coin Club** of Denison-Sherman. President Charles Wingo reported on the status of the club's coin show scheduled for October 22-23 at the Denison Holiday Inn, and bourse chairman H.C. Overt said that seven tables had already been sold. There is only room for 20 tables.

District Governor Barney Welch conducted a program on the identification of scarce U.S. coins. He emphasized the importance and logic of learning the characteristics of the genuine coins, instead of trying to learn identifying features of all the bad ones.

Gertrud Welch provided cake for the refreshment break which preceded an auction of 20 U.S. coin lots. - **Charles A. Wingo, TNA Rep.**

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DISTRICT VI -

Melvin L. Neal, **Greater Houston Coin Club** secretary, was to represent the club at the ANA Seminar on Coin Club Management held in Colorado Springs, Colo., and Bernard Loebe would represent the club at the annual breakfast during the ANA convention in San Diego, Calif.

Members also voted to sponsor an ANA Seminar at Adams Mark Hotel in September.

Twelve members were present for the meeting held at First Unitarian Church. - **Melvin L. Neal, Sec.**

Members of **Bellaire Coin Club** were reminded that time was running short on last-minute plans for the August 6-7 coin show and everyone was urged to help sell tickets for the gold coin drawing.

It was noted that the club auctions have been good and members able to pick up bargains for their collections. - **Club Bulletin.**

Pasadena Coin Club will host their 22nd annual coin show on November 26-27 at Ramada Inn, Hobby Airport., Houston.

For more information, contact Ken at Ken's Coin Shop, 435 El Dorado Blvd. Suite 12, Webster 77598, Phone 713/488-1960.



Al Loja
Governor

DISTRICT VII -

Lee Grossman was in charge of programs for the June meetings of **Alamo Coin Club** in San Antonio. On June 9, Lee discussed "Faustina the Younger - An Empress by Consent of the Senate." He said history indicates that both Faustina Junior, and her mother, Faustina Senior, were well known for their lack of morals.

"Medieval Coinage of Western Europe," a slide set, was presented by Lee at the June 23 meeting. - **Club Bulletin.**



Frank Galindo
Governor

A discussion on two current bills pending legislation that would be detrimental to the coin collecting public was held at the meeting of **Gateway Coin Club** in San Antonio. The bills are the so-called "Anti-Fencing Act" HR #1783 and HR #1821, the bill to eliminate capital gains on "non-productive items" such as coins and collectibles. The club is opposed to these bills and has written to Texas Congressmen urging them not to pass these bills.

Prize winners were Edd O'Conner, Sharon Dougherty and Raymond Tate.

Tom Walker planned programs for the July meetings which include "Coins and Medals of the Renaissance" and "Counterfeit Dimes and Quarters." - **Club Bulletin.**

DISTRICT IX -

D.O. Joplin conducted the recent meeting of **Lamb County Coin Club** of Littlefield held in the Reddy Room with only five present.

A discussion was held on ways to increase attendance and also to sponsor a benefit auction for funds to increase attendance and also to sponsor a benefit auction for funds to purchase a slide set. Lamonte Pitzer won the door prize. - **Ed Chauncey, Gov. Dist. 9**



Ed Chauncey
Governor

Twenty-one attended the June meeting of **South Plains Coin Club** of Lubbock when an inventory was listed of club assets including display cases, table covers, etc.

The auction was conducted by Jim Hall and D.O. Joplin. Kurt McEnaney was in charge of the meeting and Doris Hayslip won the door prize. - **Ed Chauncey, Gov. Dist. 9.**

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DISTRICT XI -

R.L. (Tommy) Tompkins gave a program on "Gold" and displayed gold coins at the June meeting of **Amarillo Coin Club** with 33 attending. Gordon Boyle gave a coin market report.



Nela Runkle
Governor

The annual picnic was planned for August 9 at Ellwood Park. Door prizes were won by Elaine Maple, Bob Billingsley, Nela Runkle, Robert Fortner and Bill Bassett. - **Nela Runkle, Gov. Dist. 11**

DISTRICT XII -

Tommy Sawyer, coin columnist for the Dallas Times Herald was a special guest at the regular meeting of **Rose City Coin Club** in Tyler.



T.J. Bennington
Governor

A brief business meeting was held focusing on plans for the coin show on September 10-11. Eighteen members and four guests were present. Your District 12 governor would be interested in hearing from all members and clubs and may write: T.J. Bennington, Box 4900 Dept. 1026, Tyler, Tx. 75712.

DISTRICT XIII -

At the June meeting of Wichita Falls Stamp & Coin Club, Gerald Brown discussed the history of half cent coins as minted over a 9-year period. Alexander Hamilton, Secretary of the Treasury, was responsible for issue of the coins because he felt that the low value would help the poor people who earned little and had little to spend for things they needed. The comment was made that some would do away with the one cent denomination coins as unnecessary and perhaps in future years people will wonder that such coins were even used.

The copper for the half cents came from England. It was of inferior quality. One reason was that a war was going on and really good grade metal was difficult to get. Many other kinds of coins were reshaped and re-stamped as half cents. There were even tokens, probably minted by private mints or jewelers just like the half cents except that on the reverse, the words stamped were "half cent value." This practice caused at least 18 varieties.

A surprise birthday cake was served celebrating Pauline Copelin's birthday. Nancy Lemmond was the thoughtful person who provided the cake which was served by Woody Taylor, club hostess. (Pauline's age was kept secret.)

A coin and stamp auction was conducted by Russell Van Der Ploeg and Real Charron.

John C. Wagner, a charter member, died June 28 at age 71 in a Wichita Falls hospital. He had been

active as a stamp collector for many years. Services were held June 30.
- Pauline Copelin, Sec.

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DISTRICT XIV -

The Hidalgo Coin Club met at Chisum's Rock & Hobby Shop in Pharr with Walter Cross, president, presiding. Twenty-six members were present and one new member voted on. Thank you letters were read for books placed in local libraries in memory of club members Abe Morell and Neil Utberg.



Ada Lee Chisum
Governor

Reports were given on exhibits placed in libraries to celebrate National Coin Week and participating were Mr. and Mrs. Donald Frymire, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cross, Clarence Davis, Ada Lee Chisum and Helen Snider.

Norma Mather gave an overview of the TNA convention held in Corpus Christi with special emphasis on exhibits. She also displayed her own exhibit which won a first place in paper money.

Jack Fortson conducted the auction and refreshments were served.
- Ada Lee Chisum, Gov. Dist. 14.

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DISTRICT XV -

The Greater Port Arthur Coin Club meeting was called to order by Glen Dowden, president, who welcomed Gabbie Rojo as a new member. Guests included Mrs. Dowden and Pam Pecora.

New business discussed pertained to the 1984 annual club show and the Texas Sesquicentennial in 1986. Dowden and Jim Eldridge will seek a new show location and Jerry Williams, governor, told the club that TNA wants to do something special for the Texas celebration. Members voted to join TNA's participation. Also discussed was establishing a club library. Books will be donated by members.

Williams gave a program on the seven mints of the United States. He reviewed the history and provided useful information.

Door prize winners were new member Rojo, Lisa Stein, Steve Pecora, Ben Stein and James Rodriguez. Dale Schmidt led the auction. - **William H. Stein, Sec.**



Jerry A. Williams
Governor

and his neighbor made the first gold coin after the paper money became worthless.

Door prize winners included Marie Casey, Clyde McKee, Lucy Canter and Dewey Scott. Dale Schmidt conducted the auction. New members welcomed were Johnny Mabry and Terry LeBouef. - **Lucy Canter, Sec.**

Bill Stein selected "Preservation of Coins" as the topic to be discussed at the **Greater Beaumont Coin Club** meeting. Bill stressed the use of protective plastic containers for storing coins. He stated that in the early 20th century collectors kept their coins in cardboard holders and the reasons for the toning is from the sulphur in the paper. In the 1950s came the cardboard 2x2s. The cellophane in these holders hardens and tends to crack with age and then lets in air. He showed various holders which could be used.

Winning door prizes were John Brown, Jim Eldridge, Jim Eldridge, Linda Dowden and Ben Stein. The auction was held by George May. - **Linda Dowden, Sec.**

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